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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Yasushi YOKOCHI et al.) Confirmation No.: 7339
Application No.: 10/530,750) Group Art Unit: 3725
Filed: April 8, 2005) Examiner: L. Larson
For: REINFORCING BAR-BINDING) Mail Stop Amendment
MACHINE)

Commissioner for Patents
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
401 Dulany Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated April 17, 2006, the period of response to which extends through July 17, 2006, please amend the above identified application as follows: